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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: BGEN, PFOR, GH

SUBJECT: CONTINENTAL BANK AND BLAY-MIEZAH

REFS: STATE (A) 131323; (B) STATE 141433 (NOTAL)

1. DUE CURRENT PRESS REPORTS REGARDING FINANCIAL PROBLEMS OF FRANKLIN BANK AND SEVERAL SWISS BANKS, CONTINENTAL BANK MANAGEMENT HAS CANCELLED DUNN'S TRIP TO ZURICH, FEARING A VISIT TO SWITZERLAND AT THIS TIME COULD BE LINKED ERRONEOUSLY TO THESE BANKING PROBLEMS. COPPOLINO PLANNING DEPART ALONE JULY 2.

2. DESKOFF HAS ASKED DUNN TO INFORM COPPOLINO THAT DEPT IS PREPARED BRIEF HIM ON BLAY-MIEZAH'S PAST CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES. COPPOLINO APPEARS BELIEVE BLAY-MIEZAH'S CLAIMS THAT ALL PREVIOUS CHARGES AGAINST HIM EVERYWHERE, INCLUDING PENNSYLVANIA, WERE RELATED EFFORTS MADE TO FRUSTRATE HIS ATTEMPT RETURN 160 MILLION DLS TO GHANA.

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3. ACCORDING DUNN, COPPOLINO CURRENTLY TRYING PERSUADE

PENNSYLVANIA COURT AUTHORITIES EXONERATE BLAY-MIEZAH OF  
CHARGES UPON WHICH HE CONVICTED IN PENNSYLVANIA, USING PRE-  
CEDENT OF GOG'S WITHDRAWAL CHARGES AGAINST HIM. SISCO

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